

WOODEN MONEY - American town introduces wood
coinage as emergency currency.

-Tenino, U.S.A.-

Picture:- This is not a carpenter's shop. It is the--
--Town Mint. The economic crisis has caused the citizens'
bank to close its doors,--
--and make a money famine.

So wooden blocks are sliced into thin layers,--
--and printed with the legal authority of the--
--local Chamber of Commerce. This temporary--
--money will be--
--exchanged for real coin--
--in six months when the assets--
--of the fallen bank are realized.

They're made in values of 25, 50--
--cents and dollar chips. These are chips which would give
a poker player confidence. Veneer wood is the town's
famous product. That's why they have used it--
--instead of paper for their emergency cash issue. Owing
to their novelty these notes are already being sold for
twice their face value.

Picture houses are glad to get their pay--
--boxes full of wood, anyway. Who wouldn't ?